

Senate Bill No. 1387

CHAPTER 183

An act to amend Sections 64, 66.5, and 67 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1387, Committee on Veterans Affairs. Department of Veterans Affairs: administration: California Veterans Board.

Existing law establishes the California Veterans Board whose duties include determining the policies for all operations of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Existing law requires the board to consist of 7 members appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation, and requires one of the members to be a resident of a California veterans home.

This bill would require one member of the board to have a degree in health care administration or experience in the financial management of health care facilities. The bill would also require the member of the board who is a resident of a California veterans home to be appointed for a term expiring January 15 of odd-numbered years.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 64 of the Military and Veterans Code is amended to read:

64. There shall be a California Veterans Board.

SEC. 2. Section 66.5 of the Military and Veterans Code is amended to read:

66.5. (a) One member of the board shall have substantial training or professional expertise in mortgage lending and real estate finance.

(b) One other member of the board shall have substantial training or professional expertise in geriatrics, gerontology, or long-term care.

(c) One member of the board shall have an accounting or auditing background, and preferably shall be a certified public accountant.

(d) One member of the board shall have a degree in health care administration or shall have experience in the financial management of health care facilities.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit any member of the board from serving the remainder of his or her term.

(f) The first vacancy in the membership of the board, that occurs after the enactment of the act adding this subdivision and does not require the

training or expertise required by subdivision (a) or (b), shall be filled by the appointment of a member who meets the criteria required by subdivision (c).

SEC. 3. Section 67 of the Military and Veterans Code is amended to read:

67. (a) Of the members as appointed, except as provided in subdivision (b), one shall be appointed for a term expiring January 15, 1947, two for terms expiring January 15, 1948, two for terms expiring January 15, 1949, and two for terms expiring January 15, 1950. Subsequent appointments shall be for terms of four years.

(b) The member of the board who is a resident of a California veterans home shall be appointed for a term expiring January 15 of an odd-numbered year. Subsequent appointments shall be made on a rotational basis based on the age of the home, beginning with the oldest veterans home with independent living.

(c) Vacancies shall be immediately filled by the Governor for the unexpired portion of the terms in which they occur.